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In re Application of:

DANIEL LOPEZ et al.

Serial No.: 09/249,728

Filed: February 13, 1999

For: RETICLE DEFECT DETECTION USING
SIMULATION

Group Art Unit: 2623

Examiner: M. Dastouri

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application and the following:

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.
- Additional fees are required as calculated and shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Small Entity Rate	Additional Fee	Standard Rate	Additional Fee
Total	22 minus	22	0	x \$9.00		x \$18.00	
Independent	6 minus	6	0	x \$40.00		x \$80.00	
1st Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				x \$135.00		x \$270.00	
				TOTAL:		TOTAL:	

- A Petition for [] One; [] Two; [] Three Month Extension of Time and the requisite fee is being filed concurrently herewith.
- Other attachments: _____
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3735. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

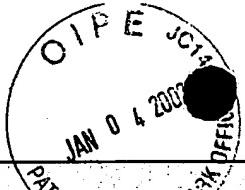
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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows.